City of Buffalo

City Council Meeting

December 13th, 2021

Mayor Jager called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Council members present; Mayor Jager, Lawson, Steckler, Kasin; Guests present: Auditor Richman, Mary Andel, Mitch Calkins, Carolyn Dostert, Deputy Avery Lock

Mayor Jager called the public hearing to order at 6:31PM.

Mitch Calkins presented the finality of the close of the Community Development Block Grant that was awarded for the housing development.

Motion to adjourn the public hearing at 6:35 PM by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Mayor Jager called the regular city council meeting to order at 6:35 PM by Jager.

Motion to approve minutes from November 8th, 2021 by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to approve the agenda as stated with modifications and deviate as needed byKasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU

Deputy Lock reviewed the 6 calls for service in November.

Moore Engineering, Park Board, Historical Society – No updates

JDA – 3 people are needed to be renewed and agree to continue their service on the JDA board.

Motion to approve the following board members for the JDA: Don Peterson, Kayla Lawson and Hal Grieve by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Daycare is operating in the black. Currently there are 3 full time and 2 part time employees. Are in need of a 3rd part time person to help fill in from time to time. Moving forward with a USDA grant working with Home Depot with the garage project.

Library – the furnace is out; parts have been ordered and water has been shut off for now until repairs are made.

Motion to approve the financial report and pay the monthly bills by Kasin seconded by Lawson. MCU.

* BEK $44.64; Cass Rural Water $1765.40; Cardmember Services $142.75; City of Fargo $14; Cass County Reporter $62.30; KGR $93.24; Kent Jensen $500; ND Sewage Pup and Lift $2280; NDLC $331; Team Lab $950; Ottertail $87.70; Ottertail $1045.20; Waste Management $2482; Xcel $35.79; Payroll for: Andel, Howitz and Richman

Motion to accept the Joint Powers of Agreement between the County of Cass and City of Buffalo by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to approve the hall rent waiver for the Buffalo Daycare holiday event on December 19th, 2021 by Steckler, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Motion to approve the hall rent waiver for the Buffalo Daycare meetings to be held on the second Tuesday of every month starting at about 5PM by Kasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

The lift station pumps have been replaced as needed and the better pump will be cleaned and stored at the ND Sewage and Pump warehouse until it is need.

Motion to forgo the loan for the lift station pumps as discussed in November by Kasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Motion to table Dostert resignation until a formal letter is submitted by Lawson, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to remove Alan Dostert from all City of Buffalo accounts at BankNorth and add Brian Steckler by Kasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Discussion held regarding the Late SWG accounts; #22 will be giving a cashiers check by the end of the week, #126 will be giving a partial check pre-dated on the 24th and Jan 10th , and #81 has already been sent to the property taxes.

Next City Council meeting will be Monday, January 10th @ 6:30PM.

Motion to adjourn at 7:13 PM by Lawson, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

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Harmony Richman, Auditor